Discussion on Babri Masjid-Ram Janamabhoomi Issue

153. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI:
SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI:
SHRI P. N. SUKUL:
SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL:
SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL:
SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:
SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:
SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any discussions were recently held by the Central Government with the representatives of the Hindu and the Muslim communities over the issue of Babri Masjid-Ram Janamabhoomi in Ayodhya;

(b) whether any agreement was arrived at to diffuse the tension prevailing in Ayodhya and other areas; and

(c) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Siir.

(b) and (c) Talks are continuing. It will not be in the public interest to disclose the details at this stage.

Growth rate of Direct Tax collections

154. SMT. VEENA VERMA:
SHRI KAPIL VERMA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the growth rate of direct tax collections for the first five months (April to August) this year as against the corresponding period last year; and

(b) what was the exact amount of direct tax revenue collection during April to August 1988 and the corresponding period last year as well as direct tax revenue for whole year of 1988?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) and (b).

(In crores of Rupees)

Tax	Collection upto August 1988	Collection upto August 1987	Increase/ Decrease of August 88/August 87	Growth Rate	Collection during Financial year 1987-88
ncome-tax (including Corporation Tax)	1182.96	1227.72	(—)44.76	(—)3.65	6644.00
Wealth-tax	59.41	49.21	(—)10 20	20.73	100.58
Gift-tax	2.44	3.67	(—)1.23	(—)33.51	8.23
Expenditure-tax	*8.16	*	*	*	*

Estate Duty : Stands abolished

*Expenditure-tax was fevied with effect from 1-11-1987.

Memorandum of understanding signed between the state trading corporation of India limited and M/s. Bofors, Sweden

155. SHRI DIPEN GHOSH:
SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI:
SHRI E. BALANANDAN:
SHRI ASHIS SEN:
SHRI P. K. KUNJACHEN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the Memorandum of Understanding signed between the State Trading Corporation of India Limited and Swedish arms manufacturing company M|s. A. B. Bofors;

(b) how much amount of Indian goods are to be purchased by the Bofors under the agreement;

(c) how much trade has actually taken place; and

(d) what steps Government have taken to compel the Swedish firm to honour the MOU?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed between the State Trading Corpn. of India Ltd., and M|s. A. B. Bofors, Sweden provides that M|s. Bofors will arrange exports from India valued not less than 50 per cent of the value of the contract signed with the Ministry of Defence. The MOU provides for export of certain commodities and manufactured item from India which can be purchased by Bofors and/or their nomines abroad.

(b) In terms of the MOU, M|s. A. B. Bofors have to purchase Indian goods worth Swedish Kroner 4.2 billion by March, 1996.

(c) As at end Septembr, 1988 goods worth Rs. 117 crores have been contracted under the MOU against which shipments of Rs. 27 crores approx. have taken place.

(d) Regular meetings between M|s. A. B. Bofors and the State Trading Corpn., of India Ltd., are being held to closely monitor the progress of implementation.

फिल्म अभिनेत्री के घर से बिना हिसाब-किताब का धन और जेवरात बरामद किया जाना

156. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय:** क्या **वित्त** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या फिल्म अभिनेत्री रेखा के विरुद्ध बम्बई में कर चोरी से संबंधित कोई मामला चल रहा है और यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(ख) क्या पहले खोजबीन के दौरान उक्त फिल्म अभिनेत्री के घर से बिना हिसाब-किताब का धन और जेवरात बरामद किये गये थे और यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राजस्व विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री अजीत पांजा) : (क) आयकर आयुक्त ने सूचित किया है कि फिल्म अभिनेत्री, कुमारी रेखा गणेशन के विरुद्ध किसी अनिर्णीत कर-निर्धारण के मामले में कर-अपवंचन से संबंधित कोई जांच नहीं चल रही है ।

(ख) नवम्बर, 1982 में आयकर अधिनियम की धारा 132 के अंतर्गत